(d) if so, what action government propose to take to recover money from this company and by what time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) Yes, Sir. However, M/s. Indodan Industries Limited and M/s. Foremost Industries (India) Limited are two separete Companies.

(b) and (d) The Company Law Board (Western Region Bench) on the basis of petitions presented to it have passed orders for repayment of deposits alongwith interest by M/s. Indodan Industries Limited. Since the Company did not comply with the orders of the Company Law Board (Western Region Bench), complaints have been filed by the Registrar of Companies, Bombay under Section 58-A(10) of the Companies Act, 1956 against the Company and six directors in the Court of Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Bombay in March, 1994.

(c) The Company has been declared as a sick industrial Company by the Board for Industrial & Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) within the meaning of Section 3(1)(0) of the Sick Industrial Company (Special Provision) Act, 1985.

Person benefited through Legal Aid Programme

7342. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons benefited in the country, particularly in the State of Punjab, through court-oriented legal aid programme during the period from 1993-94 and 1994-95;

(b) the number of persons belonging to SC/ST, terrorist affected widow/women/ children benefited during this period; and

(c) what is the criterion adopted by the Legal Aid Cell for providing help to the poor persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) During 1993-94 and 1994-95, 289 persons benefited through court-oriented Legal Aid Programme in the state of punjab. In other States about 2,39,000 persons benefited during this period. Of these about 95,000 persons belonged to SC, ST, Women & Children. These figures, however, do not include the number of beneficiaries from Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura, Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Daman & Diu which have not yet furnished the information. Statement is enclosed. (*See* below).

(c) According to the ceiling fixed by the Committee for Implementing Legal Aid Schemes, every citizen whose annual income from all sources does not exceed Rs. 6,000/ per annum, is entitled to free legal aid. This income-ceiling is not applicable to persons belonging to SC, ST, women and children.

Statement

Number of persons benefited through Court-oriented Legal Aid Programme during 1993-94 and 1994-95

Based on the information provided by the State Legal Aid and Advice Boards)

Sl. No.	Name of the State Legal Aid and Advice Board	Number of persons benefitted during 1993-94	1994-95
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1,775	1,500 (upto to Feb, 95)

Sl. No.	Name of the State Legal Aid and Advice Board	Number of persons benefitted during 1993-94	1994-95
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	*	*
3.	Assam	39	110
4.	Bihar	844	819
5.	Goa	102	84
6.	Gujarat	1,308	1,245
7.	Haryana	515	617
8.	Himachal Pradesh	473	320
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	342	1,216
10.	Karnataka	1,635	1;142
11.	Kerala	29,888	31,000
12.	Madhya Pradesh	46,345	62,871
13.	Maharashtra	12,096	*
14.	Manipur	2	2
15.	Meghalaya	26	4
16.	Mizoram	1,009	(upto 15-4-95) 1,200
17.	Nagaland	*	*
18.	Orissa	3,318	1,792
19.	Punjab	132	157
20.	Rajasthan	3,354	2,934
21.	Sikkim	*	*
22.	Tamil Nadu	9,440	8,566
23.	Tripura	*	*
24.	Uttar Pradesh	188	212
25.	West Bengal	2,041	2,210
26.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	*	*
27.	Chandigarh Administration	1	1
28.	Daman & Diu	*	*
29.	Delhi	2,641	3,049
30.	Lakshadweep	Nil	Nil
31.	Pondicherry	509	482

Sl. No.	Name of the State Legal Aid and Advice Board	Name of persons benefitted during	
		1993-94	1994-95
32.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	Nil	0
	TOTAL	1,18,023	1,21,539

*Information not provided by State legal Aid Board
Information for Jan'95 to Mar'95 is awaited from 8 District Committees for calendar years 1993 & 1994 respectively.

Funding the identity card scheme

7343. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleases to state:

(a) whether some States had expressed difficulties in funding the Identity Card Scheme sought to be enforced by the Election Commission after Ist January, 1995; and

(b) if so,. whether Government have considered the possibility of collecting the requisite funds by way of levy of fee on individual voters and offering certain non-pecuniary and other benefit to card holders, confining the funds requirement for providing identity cards on Government expense only to the people living below poverty line?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) The Election Commission has informed that it does not favour any suggestion for realising the cost of identity cards from the electors except where a card once issued has to be replaced for reason of the elector's negligence. The Election Commission, however, has permitted the use of photo identity cards under different Government schemes.

Encouraging Solar Energy production in Gujarat

7344. SHRIMATI ANANDIBEN JETHABHAI PATEL:
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2787 given in Rajya Sabha on the 30th March, 1995 and state:

(a) what steps have been taken to encourage "Solar Energy" in Gujarat;

(b) whether any incentive programmes have been drawn to popularise the "Solar Energy System" in the State; and

(c) if not, whether Government would consider the starting of schemes in States particularly in Gujarat to popularise the system as such?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) The Government is encouraging populirisation of Solar Energy through various socially oriented and market oriented schemes under Solar Photovoltaic Programme and Solar Thermal Energy Programme all over the country, including in the State of Gujarat.

The Solar Photovoltaic Systems installed in Gujarat as on 31.3.1995 includes 1564 Street Lighting systems, 370 Domestic Lighting systems, 965 Solar